

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE,  
ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505  
UTC ON THURSDAY 01 JANUARY 2015 FOR THE PERIOD 0600 UTC  
THURSDAY 01 JANUARY TO 0600 UTC FRIDAY 02 JANUARY 2015

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN ALL AREAS EXCEPT BISCAY  
AND TRAFALGAR

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT  
NEW LOWS MOVING RAPIDLY NORTHEASTWARD, EXPECTED NORWEGIAN  
SEA 971 AND WESTERN NORWAY 981 BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT. NEW  
HIGH EXPECTED 100 MILES WEST OF FITZROY 1034 BY SAME TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE  
SOUTHWESTERLY VEERING WESTERLY LATER, 5 TO 7,  
OCCASIONALLY GALE 8. MODERATE OR ROUGH, BECOMING ROUGH OR  
VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY  
POOR

SOUTH UTSIRE  
SOUTHWESTERLY VEERING WESTERLY LATER, 5 TO 7, INCREASING  
GALE 8 OR SEVERE GALE 9. MODERATE OR ROUGH, BECOMING VERY  
ROUGH, THEN HIGH LATER. OCCASIONAL RAIN. GOOD,  
OCCASIONALLY POOR

FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER FISHER GERMAN BIGHT  
SOUTHWESTERLY VEERING WESTERLY LATER, 5 TO 7, INCREASING  
GALE 8 OR SEVERE GALE 9, PERHAPS STORM 10 LATER. MODERATE  
OR ROUGH, BECOMING VERY ROUGH, AND HIGH LATER IN FISHER.  
OCCASIONAL RAIN. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

HUMBER THAMES DOVER  
SOUTHWEST VEERING WEST LATER, 5 TO 7, INCREASING GALE 8  
OR SEVERE GALE 9. MODERATE, BECOMING VERY ROUGH. RAIN  
LATER. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR LATER

WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH  
SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST LATER, 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY  
GALE 8. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH IN  
PLYMOUTH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR LATER

NORTH BISCAY  
SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7. MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN LATER.  
GOOD, OCCASIONALLY MODERATE

SOUTH BISCAY SOUTH FITZROY  
VARIABLE, MAINLY SOUTHWESTERLY 3 OR 4, OCCASIONALLY 5 IN  
NORTH. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. FAIR. GOOD

NORTH FITZROY SOLE  
SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8, VEERING  
NORTHWESTERLY 5 OR 6 LATER. MODERATE. FAIR. GOOD

LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA  
SOUTHWEST VEERING WEST LATER, 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY  
SEVERE GALE 9. MODERATE OR ROUGH BECOMING ROUGH OR VERY  
ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SHANNON  
SOUTHWEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, VEERING WEST 6 TO GALE 8.  
VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR,  
BECOMING GOOD

NORTH ROCKALL

SOUTHWEST 5 TO 7, VEERING WEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9. VERY  
ROUGH OR HIGH. SHOWERS. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SOUTH ROCKALL MALIN

SOUTHWEST BECOMING CYCLONIC, THEN WEST LATER, 7 TO SEVERE  
GALE 9. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, BECOMING VERY ROUGH OR HIGH.  
RAIN THEN SHOWERS. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

SOUTHWESTERLY VEERING WESTERLY 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9,  
OCCASIONALLY STORM 10 AT FIRST IN FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST  
ICELAND, DECREASING 5 OR 6 FOR A TIME, PERHAPS STORM 10  
LATER. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN OR THUNDERY WINTRY  
SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR, OCCASIONALLY GOOD